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Title: DIRECTED NON-CYCLIC GRAPH  
WALKING SYSTEM FOR DATA  
PROCESSING AND ANALYSIS IN  
SOFTWARE APPLICATION, SKIPS  
WALKING OF SUB-NODES OF  
ENCOUNTERED NODE BY  
DEACTIVATING GRAPH OBSERVER  
WITH RESPECT TO SUB-NODES  
(AS AMENDED)

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AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT

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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Office Action dated June 16, 2006.

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.